

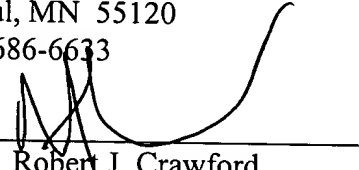
**Remarks**

The amendments are not made for the purpose of patentability.

A favorable response is earnestly requested. Should there be any remaining issues that could be readily addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at 651/686-6633.

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